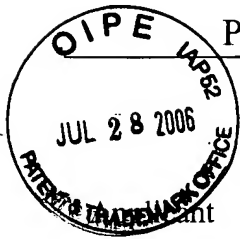


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In response to the Office Action mailed on May 3, 2006, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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